GOLD HILL HISTORICAL SOCIETY
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MAY 1987 NEWSLETTER

Please check your calendars for this Saturday, May 16. This is when the Rock Point Cemetery Association holds their annual grounds clean-up. Volunteers are needed to help spruce the area up before the big Memorial Day observance. Lemonade and fresh water will be provided. Work details are scheduled for 8 a.m. until noon, when everyone is invited to take part in a potluck. Bring garden hand tools, gloves, and possibly knee pads or a mat to kneel upon while at work. Riding lawn mowers, gas powered weed eaters, etc. are needed. The Association will reimburse for any damage which may occur to the equipment. The Volunteer Fire Department will also take part in the endeavor. Let's do our part. Hope to see you there!

MARY TRUAX HENDRICKS has again donated to our SOCIETY. This great person has added a suitcase of antique clothing, several old newspaper clippings, and a generous check to the treasure trove she has already blessed us with. What a miricle for us that she has kept so much Gold Hill memorabilia, and had the foresight to label everything so well. Mary and three of her fellow graduates of the class of 1915, including ERNIE LYMAN, have been asked to honor the July 11 Gold Dust Day parade by being the Grand Marshals for 1987.

Thanks to the generosity of CLARE MOORE the SOCIETY now has a rubber stamp to use on all of the posters that we sell, marking them as reproductions from the Gold Hill Historical Society.

Wasn't that a well produced Cinco de Mayo Festival which the Hanby Junior High Honor Society held for our benefit? Thanks to all of the members who helped the youngsters by baking, volunteering to work, or donating items to be used as prizes or decorations. As it turned out the youth hardly needed our help in running any of the events, they had such an abundance of workers themselves, but they do know we cared enough to show up to work.

DAN JONES owner of the Sylvanite mine workings gave me a personal tour of the site, and put me on to wonderful 91 year old George Tulare, the former owner of the mine. After interviewing Mr. Tulare for the GOLD HILL ECHO article, he made a special trip to Gold Hill from his Medford home in order to donate an old document pertaining to the mining proceeds of 1930. This active octogenarian+ drove himself here,as he does elsewhere. After getting to know him and Mary Hendricks, it's easy to see that life does NOT end at retirement age.

It is very important that the SOCIETY gets their by-laws established. Please come to the next meeting and help us put the final stamp of approval on them. Thank you so much to CATHY SCHATZ for offering to type up the two final choices, even though we were unable to get together, and to hard-working LINDA GENAW for doing the typing. Linda also attended the SOUTHERN OREGON HISTORICAL SOCIETY meeting in Rogue River last month,as the Gold Hill representative in DON MOORE'S absence. Representatives of the Eagle Point and Rogue River Societies far out-numbered our single agent. Hopefully more of us will be able to turnout for future meetings. Jackson county historical fund distributions have been the main topic on the agenda for these meetings.

Our next meeting will be held in the library at 7 p.m. on Monday, May 18. The agenda will include discussion of our Gold Dust Day involvement. Also our County Fair booth. We've got so many exciting plans in the workings that it's hard to keep up with all of them. Isn't it wonderful, the way we have been going forward in leaps and bounds this past year?

The new phone number for the editor/secretary is 855-1159. The SOCIETY files will also now be available for research in my new downstairs office at 320 2nd Avenue.

Janet L. Session